# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. Friday, 13th February, 1914.

The Rev. A. H. COOKE, M.A., D.Sc., F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

Mr. F. W. Reader and Mr. F. H. Sikes were appointed scrutineers. The following report was read :—

"Your Council, in presenting their twenty-first Annual Report, refer with pleasure to the fact that the Society has now attained its majority, and may look back with extreme satisfaction on the amount of useful work accomplished during the period of its existence and published in the 'Proceedings' of the Society.

"The papers printed during the preceding year, details of which are given below, have maintained their usual standard of excellence.

"It is with great regret your Council have to record the loss by death of two members, Mr. R. Bruce Foote, F.G.S., and Mr. W. Moss, while, owing to resignation and other causes, four more names have been removed from the Society's roll.

"During the year nine new members have been elected, so that the membership of the Society on December 31st, 1913, stood as follows :--

Ordinary members .				71
Corresponding members				94

Total . . 165

"As regards finance, the position of the Society shows an improvement on last year's figures. The current account shows a balance of  $\pounds 22$  0s. 9d., while the special fund has  $\pounds 20$  standing to its credit, one composition fee of  $\pounds 5$  5s. having been added and  $\pounds 2$  8s. transferred from current account. The Society, moreover, still holds the sum of  $\pounds 50$  invested in Metropolitan  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent stock.

"Three parts of the 'Proceedings', forming the last half of Vol. X, have been issued during the year 1913. They consist of 134 pages of text, illustrated with 5 plates and 30 text-figures. A portrait of Lieut.-Col. H. H. Godwin-Austen, President of the Society 1898-9, was issued with Part V as a frontispiece to the volume.

"The following authors have very kindly contributed towards the eost of illustrations, or have furnished drawings or photographs for the plates or text-figures: C. R. Boettger, Rev. A. H. Cooke, T. Iredale, A. J. Jukes-Browne, Marquis de Monterosato, H. B. Preston, G. C. Robson, and H. Suter.

"The thanks of the Society are again especially due to the Council of the Linnean Society for permitting the meetings to be held in Burlington House as in previous years."

On the motion of Mr. F. W. Reader, seconded by Mr. E. A. Smith, the above was adopted as the Annual Report of the Society.

The following were elected Officers and Council for the year 1914:-President.-Rev. A. H. Cooke, M.A., D.Sc., F.Z.S. *Fice-Presidents.*—A. S. Kennard, F.G.S., R. Bullen Newton, F.G.S., H. B. Preston, F.Z.S., E. R. Sykes, B.A., F.L.S., F.Z.S.

Treasurer .- J. H. Ponsonby, F.Z.S.

Secretary .- G. K. Gude, F.Z.S.

Editor .- E. A. Smith, I.S.O.

Other Members of Council. — G. C. Crick, F.G.S., T. Iredale, C. Oldham, G. C. Robson, B.A., J. R. Le B. Tomlin, M.A., B. B. Woodward, F.L.S.

On the motion of Mr. H. Fulton, seconded by Mr. C. Oldham, a vote of thanks was passed to the Retiring Officers and Members of the Council and to the Auditors and Scrutineers.

## ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

The Rev. A. H. COOKE, M.A., D.Sc., F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

The President delivered his Annual Address, entitled "Some Points and Problems in Geographical Distribution".

On the motion of Mr. B. B. Woodward, seconded by Mr. R. H. Burne, a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Cooke for his interesting address, which it was resolved should be printed *in extenso*.

## ORDINARY MEETING.

#### FRIDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1914.

The Rev. A. H. COOKE, M.A., D.Sc., F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

The following communications were read :----

1. "Diagnoses of four new species of Land Shells from German New Guinea." By Cæsar R. Boettger.

2. "Characters of three new species of *Ennea* from Southern Nigeria." By H. B. Prestou, F.Z.S.

3. "A Synopsis of the Veneridæ." Part II. By A. J. Jukes-Browne, F.R S.

### ORDINARY MEETING.

#### FRIDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1914.

R. BULLEN NEWTON, F.G.S., Vice-President, in the Chair.

The following communications were read :--

1. "A list of Australian Mactridæ, with a description of a new species." By E. A. Smith, I.S.O.

2. "On the generic name Martensia, Semper." By Tom Iredale.

3. "Some more notes on Polyplacophora." Part 1. By Tom Iredale.

4. "Description of a new recent Pholadomya (P. tasmanica)." By C. Hedley and W. L. May.

Mr. B. B. Woodward exhibited a large specimen of *Helix* desertorum, with an abnormally high spire, and specimens of *Pisidium* vincentianum from Turkestan.